ted by the company their phased programme for investment is as under:—

Year	Rs. lakhs Investment
1985-86	130
1986-87	280
1987-88	85

(b) M/s. Glaxo hold a letter of intent for the manufacture of 15 tonnes of Cephalexin from the basic stage.

Rise in the price of Vitamin 'C' tablets

686. SHRIMATI USHA MALHOTRA:
SHRI SHANTI TYAGI:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the manufacturers of Vitamin 'C' indicating licensed and installed capacity of each;

(b) what is the production of each unit during the last three years, yearwise;

(c) whether it is a fact that the manufacturers of Vitamin 'C' tablets have increased the prices in the month of April, 1985; and

(d) if so, what is the price increase allowed by Government and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL): (a) and (b) A statement (*see below*) showing the names of the manufacturers of Vitamin 'C' and its salts, their licensed capacities and the production during the last three years, year-wise is attached.

(c) and (d) Based on Bureau of Industrial Costs and Prices cost study, the price of Vitamin 'C' and its salts manufactured by M/s. Sarabhai M. Chemicals, a unit of M/s. Ambalal Sarabhai Enterprises was increased on 27-3-1985. The leader prices of Vitamin 'C' Chewable Tablets were revised based on changes in the price of the bulk drug. Details are as follows:

Name of the Formulation and Strength:

	Vitamin 'C' Chewable Tablets 500 mg/Tab.
Pack size	10x10
Pre-revised Price	34.38
Revised Price	41.38
Date of revision	8.7.1985

The above prices are exclusive of Excise Duty

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the Unit	Licensed capacity (tonnes)	Production (tonnes) 1982-83	1983-84	1984-85
1	M/s. Jaysynt Vitamins Limited	770·5	578·45	593·61	455·44
2	M/s. Sarabhai M. Chemicals	240 00	286.48	249.65	260.79
			864·93	843·26	716·23

Availability of Drugs at prices less than notified prices

687. SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that (Analgin, Pain Killer), Metranidazole (Amoehlasis) are available in the open market at much cheaper prices than the prices notified by Government;